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Wild Orchid Thai Cuisine

Minden's popular Thai restaurant set to close on Oct. 16

■ By Mark Arike

It was a difficult decision for Ron Gamble and his partner Suwan Khamduang to make, but one they both felt was necessary at this point in their lives.

"We're going to miss the loyalty of our customers. We have a very faithful and nice clientele," said Gamble, who along with Khamduang has owned and operated the Wild Orchid Thai Cuisine restaurant by the Gull River in Minden since 2002. "We've made a lot of really good friends – there's no question about it."

A busy operation that runs six days a week for eight months of the year, the Wild Orchid has gained notoriety for its excellent and authentic Thai dishes made at the hands of Khamduang.

"I started working in the food service business when I was 14 years old," Khamduang said in an earlier interview with The Communicator. "I became a restaurant business owner in a high tourist area in Thailand in 1990."



In 1994 she made the move to Canada and opened up a restaurant that served Thai and Columbian food on Highway 48 in Pefferlaw. After a period of time, the restaurant went through a name change, and thus, the Wild Orchid was born.

Soon after Khamduang met Gamble (he was a customer of hers), she brought her fine crafted skills and popular restaurant brand to Minden. (cont'd on page 3)

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While Khamduang and her staff have looked after the busy restaurant, Gamble has managed an antique store at the front of the building.

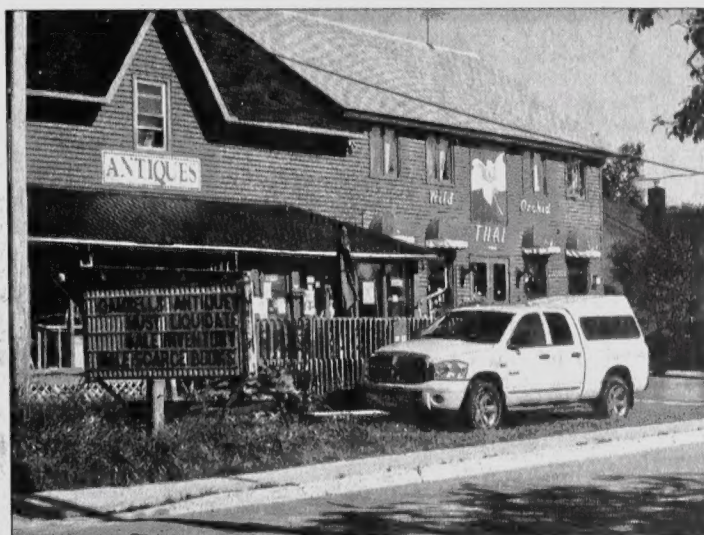
For both, it's been a pleasure to provide the community and its visitors with something unique and hard to find elsewhere. Gamble finds it difficult to come up with the words to sum it all up.

"It's too much for me ... the other day some friends were in, they were giving me hugs. It's very emotional," said the 77-year-old businessman.

The restaurant is currently up for sale, and should it sell, the couple is considering buying a condo in Vancouver. In the meantime, Khamduang will be going to her homeland of Thailand to finish building a home while Gamble stays in Minden.

"We won't entertain renting or leasing the building, but if the building doesn't sell we might look at doing takeout," Gamble said, adding that the building would provide a booming business to whomever would consider taking it over. "If we could find people like Suwan and me they couldn't help but make money."

The last day of regular business for the Wild Orchid is on Saturday, Oct. 16.



To see if there's any room for reservations call the restaurant at 705-286-1532.

Events

Meet a ghost or two during Minden's Haunting History

See ghosts come alive on Oct. 29 in the museum's heritage buildings on this night at the museum that will thrill and excite families. Stories will be told around a campfire and there will be treats for those brave enough to chance meeting spectres of Minden's past.

Admission is \$2 per person and \$5 a family.

The haunting good time starts at 6 p.m.

For more information call Sheryl Loucks at 705-286-2298 or email rdlawrenceplace@mindenhills.ca.

Haliburton County Studio Tour continues this weekend

You still have one more weekend to see the wonderful works of local artists in this year's 23rd annual Haliburton County Studio Tour.

From Saturday, Oct. 9 to Sunday, Oct. 10, take the opportunity to visit any one of the 26 studios spread out across the county.

For more information call Thom Lambert at 705-457-9110 or go to www.haliburtonstudiotour.on.ca.

Arts Exposed: A gala event in support of the arts Oct. 23

This is the annual gala of the artist-driven foundation which has provided \$72,000 in support of the arts over the last six years. Board Members: Michael Fay, Chair, Jack Brezina, Adele Espina, Isabel Heaven, John Lennard, Elly Malcomson, Georgina Parkes, Wayne Rose, Mary Samson, Leo Sepa, Debbie Wales, Bill Lambie.

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Spotlight on Business



241 Pizza

Franchise open for business in downtown Haliburton

■ By Mark Arike

Two childhood friends with a shared passion for making customers happy have taken the plunge into business together with the launch of Haliburton's newest fast food establishment.

It was just a few months ago when Kalpesh Patel purchased the building at 167 Highland St. to start a 241 Pizza franchise with a good friend of his, Timir Patel.

"We have experience in the food industry," said Kalpesh in an interview with The Communicator, just days before the grand opening.

Now business partners, the two came to Canada in 2003 from their homeland of India. Kalpesh, a former manager of a Subway in Fenelon Falls, and Timir, a past employee of the Haliburton Subway, have the experience and necessary training required to open up an establishment of this kind.

How did they decide on Haliburton? Well, when Kalpesh's wife found a job as the Independent's pharmacy manager, he left Fenelon Falls and moved to Minden last March.

"I just decided that I would do something in Haliburton or



Kalpesh Patel and Timir Patel are proud to open 241 Pizza in Haliburton

Minden," he explained.

He began the search for space to lease and was assisted by ReMax Haliburton Highlands. In July he bought the property and the property next door (165 Highland St.), which he leases to Floyd Hall Insurance.

After doing their research, Kalpesh and Timir decided to go with the 241 franchise – which, according to its web site is one of Canada's most successful take-out/delivery pizza chains.

Renovations, conducted by Brian Smith of Minden, began at the end of July and were just finished recently. Bright lighting, red paint, and a fully open concept – designed to allow customers to see what's going on in the kitchen – have created an authentic pizza place look and feel that's welcoming, clean and warm.

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Founded in Toronto in 1986, 241 Pizza includes over 90 pizzerias operating in Saskatchewan, Manitoba and Ontario.

Items on the menu – which can be purchased on-line, over the phone and in-person – offer a lot of variety and come in a number of combination deals. “The Double Dealicious” for example, includes two medium pizzas for \$15.99 – for \$5 extra customers can upsize to large.

“You can get two pizzas for the price of one,” Kalpesh said.

Large slices, wings, breadsticks and refreshing drinks are also on the menu.

Since seating space inside is limited (eight chairs), most customers will place their orders, pick them up and be on their way. For those who are up to nine kilometers away from 241, delivery will also be an option.

“We [Kalpesh and Timir] are going to do the deliveries,” Timir said, “because that way we can meet our customers and get a better idea of what they like and what they don’t like.”

Customers who order and choose delivery should expect to receive their pizza(s) within 40 minutes (* delivery time is not guaranteed). “In cities like Toronto it’s very predictable, but in the countryside it’s more difficult,” Timir said, referring to the long-winding roads and winter’s unpredictable road conditions.

A typical walk-in customer can be in and out in less than 10 minutes.

And in order to maximize their efficiency, orders that are placed on-line and by phone go through 241 Pizza’s main processing centre and then show up at the Haliburton location.

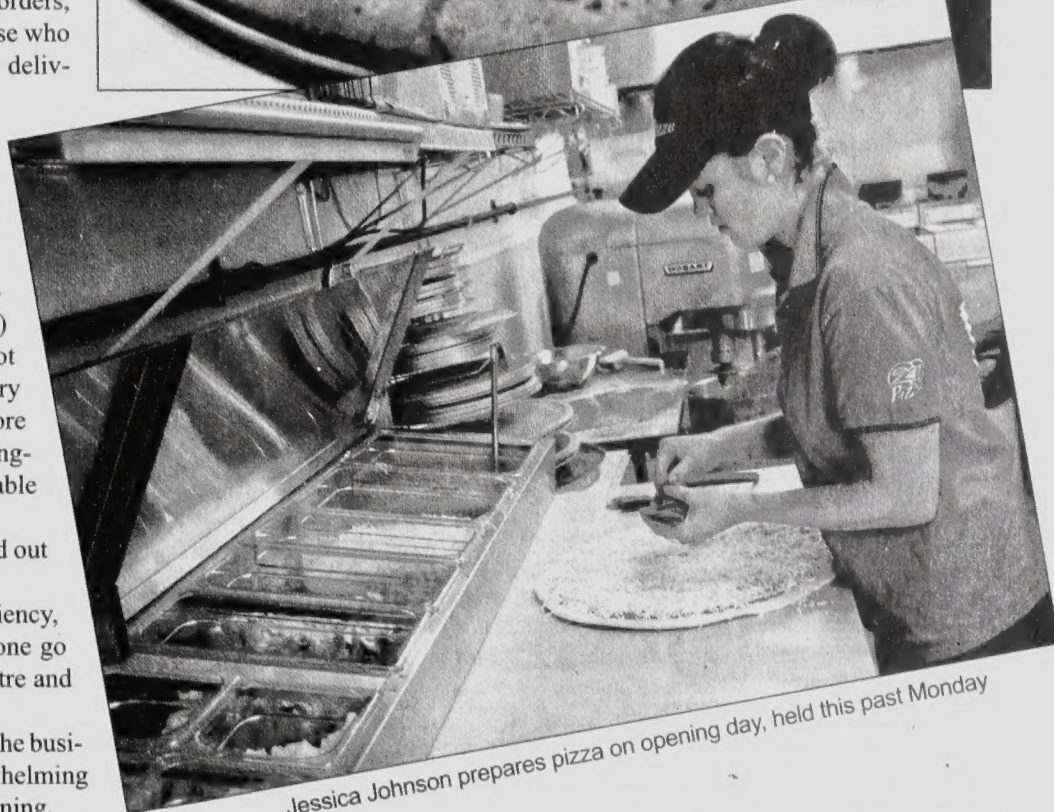
Both Kalpesh and Timir are eager to get the business going, and are thankful for the overwhelming support they’ve received even before opening.

“We are already excited because people have given us a good response, and they [the people] are really excited and looking forward to it,” Timir said.

Both parents, Kalpesh and Timir love everything about the Highlands and the change of pace it’s offered them.

“We find that people here are very friendly,” Timir said. “And we like a lot of the activities like skiing, which we want to do more of,” Kalpesh added.

241 Pizza



Jessica Johnson prepares pizza on opening day, held this past Monday

To view the wide selection of 241’s meal options on-line, go to www.241pizza.com. With the click of a button, orders can be completed and paid for by all credit cards, with the exception of American Express. Customers who pick-up their orders can also pay by cash and debit.

To place a phone order call 705-457-9241.

Delivery has not yet started, but should be available shortly after Thanksgiving. □

Events

Rise with "The Deads" on Oct. 30

The Dead Poets Society invites you to consider rising with them on Oct. 30, 2010 at 8 p.m. at the Dominion Hotel in Minden.

The theme of the night will be a Halloween salute to the Seven Deadly Sins. You know ... Lust, Sloth, Envy, Anger ... the big ones.

If you'd like to participate, the gig is simple: 1) choose a Sin; 2) choose a poet who speaks to that Sin with one or two works; 3) figure out a bit of a 'look' for said dead; 4) contact Michael Fay and let him know; and, 5) come on down to the Dominion in Minden!

Contact Michael by email at j.michael.fay@fayandassociates.com or call 705-286-3668.

Below is the current line-up as of press time:

Incantation: Pope Gregory I Incants the 7 Deadly in Latin

Mistress of Ceremonies: Kathleen Atkinson-Hindle

Reader	Sin	Dead Poet
Brigitte Gall	Envy	Janis Joplin
Ron Newberry-Evans	Yearning Lust	Alden Nowlan
Fay Martin	Lust	Geoffrey Chaucer
John Irwin	Pride	Watson Kirkconnell
Michael Fay	Gluttony	Al Purdy
Shawn Chamberlin	Anger	Ernest Hemingway
Eleanor Irwin	Wrath	Homer
John Unrau	Sloth	Ivan Goncharov
Tim Nicholson	Lust	Jim Morrison

Home Routes Concert

Wednesday October 6, 2010 to Monday April 12, 2010

The Haliburton County Folk Society is hosting a Home Routes concert series starting on Wednesday, Oct. 6 and finishing on Monday, April 12.

Home Routes is about world-class musicians, known and unknown alike, performing complete concerts in the comfortable intimacy of private homes and other non-traditional spaces. See the full listing for the line-up below.

There aren't venues for all of the concerts yet, so if you'd like to host a concert or want information please contact Eric at info@haliburtonfolk.com or 705-754-9873.

- Wed Oct 6 - Spook Handy - www.spookhandy.com at the home of Marie and Don Gage

- Thurs Nov 4 - Ariana Gillis & David Gillis - www.arianagillis.com

- Fri Dec 3 - Lindsay Jane - www.lindsayjane.ca

- Sat Feb 12 - Kev Corbett - www.kevcorbett.com

- Sun Mar 13 - Jess Reimer/Jeremy Goertzen-Hamm www.dougandjess.com

- Tues Apr 12 - Mike Agranoff - www.mikeagranoff.com

Celebrate fall at Minden's Oktoberfest

Please see below for the schedule of events taking place on Oct. 9.

8 a.m. - Pancake Breakfast

at the Dominion Hotel - all proceeds go to the New Years

Eve fireworks fund

11 a.m. - Cream a

Candidate at Molly's

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candidate -

Noon hot dog eating contest

1 p.m. - Kids Oktoberfest games at the Village Green

2 p.m. - t-shirt painting at the Dominion Hotel

3 p.m. - Family Movie - Dominion Hotel

4 p.m. - Pumpkin Weight contest and winners of the winner of

scarecrow decorating announced - McMahon Feed N Harness

7 p.m. - Oktoberfest at the Dominion Hotel - Live music and

German buffet. Call to reserve. Contest for Oktoberfest costume



Nominate a special volunteer for the Gordon A. Monk Award

If you know someone who has been a long-time volunteer in the Minden Hills area, you could consider nominating them for the Gordon A. Monk Award for Volunteerism and Citizenship.

In grateful recognition of Gord Monk's achievements as well as the value he placed on volunteerism and citizen participation, the Township of Minden Hills is accepting nominations for the second annual Gordon A. Monk Award for Volunteerism and Citizenship. Nominations close on October 31, 2010.

The award is intended to be presented on an annual basis, and consists of a plaque for the recipient as well as recognition on a master plaque kept on display at the Township Office. Nominees for this award should have demonstrated extensive volunteerism over an extended period of time in multiple areas of service to our community.

The 2008 recipient was Linda Brandon and the 2009 recipient was Molly McInerney, both recognized for their many years of service in the community. The award is presented each year at the annual Township Christmas and Volunteer Recognition Banquet.

Nominations must be made in writing and submitted in confidence to the Township of Minden Hills, care of the Clerk's Office. Complete information on the nomination process and the criteria is available on the Township website www.mindenhills.ca and at the Township Office. □

Events

Those Other Movies

Now in its fifth season, Those Other Movies brings to audiences in Haliburton County the very best in Canadian and International films.

From September through June, films are presented on the second Thursday of the month (unless otherwise noted) at the Northern Lights Pavilion, located inside the Haliburton Highlands Secondary School building, with 4:15 matinees and a 7:15 evening show.

Passes for the entire series are sold throughout the summer (\$60). Individual movie tickets are available for sale at the door on movie night (\$8).

For more information call Roberta Coles at 705-286-3656 or email roberta@first-page-seo.com.

Thanksgiving Arts and Crafts Show in Dorset

The Dorset Thanksgiving Arts and Crafts Show takes place on Saturday, Oct. 9 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Dorset Recreation Centre.

At this show, see a wonderful celebration of all that is hand made and beautiful; a show where only hand made goods are presented by a variety of artisans from the area.

Items will include: paintings, hand made dolls, jewellery, puppets, knitting, stained glass, wood crafts, rock art, unique dried soup mixes and hand carved decoys to name a few.

For more information contact Melissa Alfano at 705-766-9968 or email drc@algonquinhighlands.ca.



Thanksgiving at the Minden Wild Water Preserve

On Oct. 9 come and enjoy Thanksgiving at the Gull River. Enjoy the fall colours, get in a paddle on this amazing river and enjoy the company of people that have something in common with you - the Gull River. Spend the day or the weekend. Enjoy Thanksgiving dinner with all of the friends of the Gull River.

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Thanksgiving dinner at the Dorset Recreation Centre

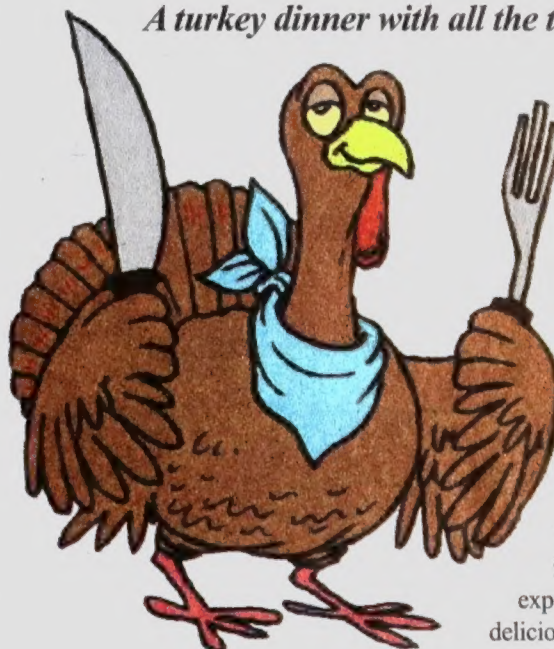
The Dorset volunteer fire department and the committee for the rec centre kitchen project invite you to join them for a scrumptious Thanksgiving dinner.

Sittings are at 4:30 and 6:30 p.m. on Sunday, Oct. 10 in the Dorset Recreation Centre.

Adults are \$13; seniors (60 and over) \$11; and children (12 and under) \$6.

Call Donna at 705-766-9253 to reserve your tickets.

A turkey dinner with all the trimmings



On Saturday, Oct. 9 you can leave the cooking to others at a turkey dinner served by the Wilberforce Agricultural Society.

Being served at 5 p.m. at the Lloyd Watson Centre in Wilberforce, expect to receive a delicious turkey meal with all the trimmings

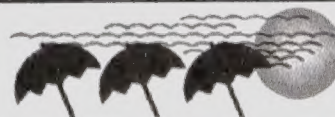
and pie for dessert. An award presentation takes place at 4:45 p.m. and dinner is served at 5 p.m.

Adults are \$12, children under 12 years are \$5 and preschoolers are free.

Proceeds from the dinner support the 2011 Wilberforce Fair.

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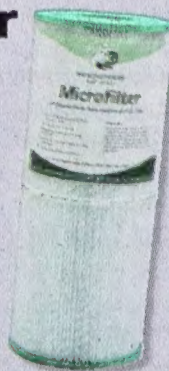
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Events

Wacky Wilberforce geocaching event primes participants for Halloween

Looking for a night of freaks, shrieks and geeks to get ready for Halloween?

Manhunt Madness will arrive in Wilberforce – the geocaching capital of Canada – just in time to get folks primed for Halloween on Saturday, Oct. 23.

This spooky outdoor geocaching event, the fourth in five years created by Mary Barker aka Sticky Moose and Nataly Goulet, aka Moonaloon (on www.geocaching.com), offers a continuation in the ongoing wacky Wilberforce saga of Professor Hosenfeffer and his now abandoned bride Gerty.

This year, Gerty, just released from the psychiatric ward of the Highlands East Hospital, needs geocaching assistance to help track down her missing groom. Last seen leaving the operating room in screaming horror, the professor has been well hidden from his 'lovely' bride Gerty – the niece of the Wacky Witches of Wilberforce.

Goulet is expecting another great turnout for this year's event – their last one in 2008 had more than 100 people show up to practice their geocaching techniques and have a scary good time. This year, Goulet continues her dual roles as the betrayed Gerty and the absent professor – not an easy task – playing both the hunter and the hunted.

"It's a good challenge," Goulet laughed. "I'm not much of an actress – as people will see when they show up – but they will certainly be entertained."

So bring some sleuthing skills and join Gerty and her newly hired private detective Richard Limp to help find the missing Professor Hosenfeffer – and all will be revealed. Please arrive at the starting point between 6-6:30 p.m., please dress appropriately for the weather and please, bring a flashlight! Admission is \$5 per person or \$12 per family – and Goulet has suggested that this event may not be suitable for children under six years.

To find the event online, go to www.geocaching.com and on the main page under GC Code enter: GC2F6D2.

If you're not a member of that website, but still want to participate in this event, go to Google maps and enter the following coordinates N 45° 02.197 W 078° 13.371. Or just head to Wilberforce for 6 p.m. on October 23 and meet downtown at Dick Limp's office – LARGE HINT HERE - Dick rents office space from the Highlands East Fire Department. There will be extra GPS units available for the evening. Please post a message on www.geocaching.com if attending, or for more information, give Nataly Goulet a call at 705-448-1690.

With submitted photo of 'Gerty' (aka Nataly Goulet) by Jodi Rupnow



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Dining and Entertainment

212 Fine Foods

212 Fine Foods opens in grand style



"Better a drop of the extraordinary than an ocean of the ordinary".

With that ambitious phrase blazoned on each staffer's T-shirt, Haliburton's latest culinary adventure, 212 Fine Foods, opened in impressive style last Friday. And after a packed morning and a non-stop bustling lunch, Front Manager Britney Rock

could only give a wide smile and say, "This is a great way to start, that's for sure."

And for Chef and co-owner Chris Carl, the opening the Café/Deli/Catering Service is a dream come true: "I've wanted for years to open a proper café and deli in Haliburton," says Carl. "Once the old butcher shop closed, and then Rachel's bakery pulled out, we thought there was a real opportunity. And we knew there was a market for fine meats, cheeses, fish and other deli items along with the café."

Carl teamed up once again with Haliburton entrepreneur Maarten Steinkamp and Aniz chef David Adams to create 212's ambience of high quality food combined with a sophisticated and energized staff. For an opening day, the service was brisk, cheerful, with a refreshing sense of humour about first night jitters. ("Did I bring you the right beer? Are you sure? Honest?")

Steinkamp, Carl, and Adams have already turned Haliburton County's restaurant scene upside down this past summer with the opening of Aniz (15,000 meals served so far!), and a revitalized Rhubarb in Eagle Lake. Chef Adams handles Aniz, while Carl runs Rhubarb. Steinkamp has also presided over last year's successful rejuvenation of Haliburton's famous sports bar and restaurant, McKecks.

212's breakfast and lunch menus are at once simple and distinctive. Steinkamp has stated clearly in the past that he's not interested in competing with the Kosy down the street. And 212's offerings certainly confirm that. For breakfast (served from 8 am to 11 am) the choices range from granola and yoghurt to a simple French baguette or croissant with homemade compote, buckwheat waffles with real Haliburton maple syrup and a roasted banana, traditional lox and bagel with goat cheese and greens, and a 'croque madame' – an open faced baguette with gruyere, ham, fried egg and fingerling potatoes.

For heartier appetites, there's Atlantic salmon and potato cake served with a poached egg, a roasted pepper aioli and greens; and a farmer's breakfast of sausage, herbed scrambled eggs, fingerling potato,

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Lunch officially starts at 11 am and the menu in some respects is almost more bistro than café. The soups (some from Chef Adams at Aniz) are hearty fare – a clam tomato chowder, a potato corn bisque, and a chicken with brown rice. Sandwiches include lox and bagel, again, the croquet madame, a shrimp and arnula on a croissant, chicken and goat cheese with grilled vegetables, and asian pork with green onions and beand sprouts. Hearty stews are also offered: a lamb with apricot and onion, beef with guinness and root vegetables, a traditional goulash with red pepper, potato, and paprika; a seafood stew with saffron. Main courses offer a luscious quiche of the day with greens, roasted salmon with tarragon and a lemon caper cream sauce, a lamb burger with fig and onion jam, and a vegetarian sweet potato enchilada with tomato salsa.

The deli/butcher section of 212 features fresh Quebec chickens, bison steaks, marinated butterfly lamb, interesting sausages, fabulous Quebec and Ontario cheeses along with the traditional deli mustards, compotes, croissants, artisan breads and spices and a selection of sinful



Fresh produce, fresh meats, fresh pastries, all contribute to Chef Chris Carl's excellent cuisine

cakes and pastries. And while in season, an excellent selection of local produce is also available.

212 is a terrific addition to Haliburton's culinary scene: the food, and the ambience, burst with energy, subtle flavours, and imaginative takes on traditional café fare. And soon fresh fish and seafood will be offered, initially on weekends only. Chef Carl also offers a full catering service for office parties, dinners, and family celebrations. The former Manhattan space, entirely renovated, will also be available for fully catered events for up to 70 people, from wedding celebrations to anniversaries, corporate gatherings, and of course the upcoming office Christmas parties.

212 Cafe is open Monday to Saturday from 8 am to 6 pm and on Sunday from 8 am to 3 pm. It's located at (no surprise!) 212 Highlands Street in Haliburton directly opposite McKecks.

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Events

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On Oct. 15 at the Kinark Outdoor Centre, join experts in wildlife-human conflicts to discuss species like wolves, bears and geese and reasons for conflict as well as ways we can better co-exist in an increasingly populated world. Learn tips and tools you can use as a landowner to share your land with the critters that inhabit it.

Registration is \$25 per person. Early registration is recommended, as the workshop fills up fast!

For more information call 705-286-5206 or email nicole.tuyten@ontario.ca.

Go Go Grannies Yoga Fund Raiser

Experience fun for the whole family at this fundraiser in support of the Stephen Lewis Foundation's Grandmothers Campaign.

On Saturday, Oct 9 from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. at Haliburton Dance Arts, Gail Holness will lead a Yoga class to an African beat, and Terri Mathews will teach participants some African dance moves.

Come on out and show the Grannies your support.

For more information call Gail at 705-455-9294 or email gailholness@sympatico.ca.

Haliburton Concert Series Now available: Single tickets for final show

A limited number of single tickets for the final concert – Made In Canada Ensemble – are available at \$30 each, students \$10, tax included. To get yours call Brenda Robinson at 705-457-2695 or email brobinson@interhop.net.

For more information on the show see below.

Made In Canada Ensemble – Saturday, Nov. 13

All four members of this group have been forging outstanding individual careers and they come together with a wealth of experience and a shared love of chamber music, creating varied programs drawn from sonata, duo, trio, and piano quartet literature. Made In Canada is, according to the Winnipeg Free Press, "this country's newest up-and-coming chamber group, quickly making its mark on the Canadian music scene."

The Haliburton Concert Series annually presents three concerts featuring important international performers. Concerts take place at the Northern Lights Arts Pavilion in the Village of Haliburton.

Haliburton Rocks - One Day Package

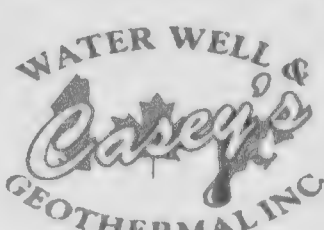
On this two day adventure (Monday, Oct. 18 and Saturday, Oct. 23) explore the rich minerals deposits, unique geological features, and rugged landscapes of the Highlands while enjoying the great hospitality and fine folk the area has to offer.

This package is available with or without accommodation. Please register at least one week in advance. Contact Barrie Martin at info@yoursoutdoors.ca or call 705-754-3436.

Haliburton Rocks

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Events

Yuk Yuk's

A night at McKecks that'll have you in hysterics

The next edition of Yuk Yuk's comedy at McKecks is set and ready to rock on Thursday, Oct. 28 at 8 p.m.

And this time around, the popular Haliburton eatery will feature three top-rated Canadian funny men plying the mic and providing a night of giggles that'll have you on the edge of your seat.

On tap to perform are Rob Ross, Michael Nemiroff and Gilson Lubin.

Tickets are just \$20 and they'll go fast as always, so get yours soon. You can either grab them at the restaurant or give Sean a shout at sean.carthew@mckecks.ca.

About the performers (from Yuk Yuk's web site):

Rob Ross

Rob Ross was born to be a stand-up comic. Or, more accurately, Rob Ross dropped out of university to be a stand-up comic.

Tentatively taking the stage as an awkward and gangly 18 year old, Ross knew stand-up was his destiny/only option. (Now that is passion).

Now a veteran touring headliner with many years experience under his belt, he has amassed an impressive list of performing credits; "Comedy Now", "Comics", "Just for Laughs", "Halifax Comedy Festival", "Winnipeg Comedy Festival", "Open Mike with Mike Bullard", "Madly Off In All Directions" and many more too numerous (or less impressive) to mention.

Since moving from Alberta to Toronto in 1993, Ross has also found steady work as a television writer. His credits include; "Rick Mercer's Monday Report", "Royal Canadian Air Farce", "The Geminis", "The Junos", "The NHL Awards" (and many more failed television pilots too depressing to mention.)

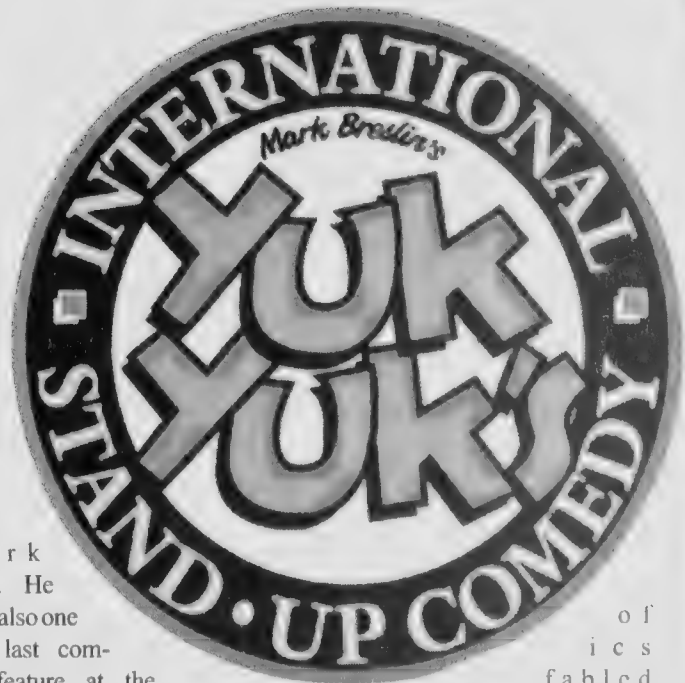
Currently he is a creative producer with MTV Canada.

On stage Ross has a unique style- relaxed yet fast paced. His material is intelligent and original. If you've read this far you should probably book him.

Michael Nemiroff

Michael Nemiroff began his career performing in front of people by teaching English literature to Quebec teenagers at Concordia University in Montreal, an which activity to which he always referred as "teaching the principles of vegetarianism to alligators." In 1998, Michael decided to leave the world of academics for the larger and more financially secure universe of stand-up comedy and immigrated to Toronto.

Since then, Michael has crossed our land from right to left coasts and back again, performing at comedy clubs, hotels, bars, restaurants, Canadian Forces bases, wedding chapels, bowling alleys, and taco stands. He has also performed at various comedy clubs in the Northeastern states of our Big Brother to the south, including such notable spots as Caroline's, the Comedy Cellar, and the misnamed Boston Comedy Club in New



York City. He was also one of the last comedians to feature at the Catch A Rising Star in Boston.

Along the way, Michael has performed with comedy stars like Norm MacDonald, Dave Attell, and John Stuart. But his favourite comedy moment will always be that of performing in Cranbrook, B.C., in a comedy club containing forty-nine empty tables, and one table covered in puke. Ohhh, Canada!

He has been on television in Ontario on "Club 54" (Global), and on TVO. Michael appeared on CBC and CTV television in Quebec, where he also organized and featured in comedy fundraisers for Alliance Quebec, the largest anti-separatist group in the Province. So he has done his little part for his beloved homeland.

Michael has also performed in dramatic productions in Montreal, notably Eric Bogosian's "Pounding Nails Into The Floor With My Forehead", leaving him with a taste for the stage and a month-long migraine. Michael has appeared in television commercials in Quebec and in Ontario, including one made to be shown in Romania, which apparently had consumers there clamoring for the return of the Cold War. Michael is an active comedy writer, and has written jokes for other comics (sometimes without realizing it), and has contributed material to The Tonight Show With Jay Leno. Michael doesn't take himself or the rest of you very seriously, and has developed a reputation for clever, off-beat humour, mostly at the expense of others.

Michael's current interests include the jazz trumpet, weaving blankets out of Hershey Bar wrappers for Korean War veterans, and conducting ripsaw classes for the clumsy. Doing professional stand-up comedy for a decade has left Michael with the satisfaction of having brought laughter to dozens of people, two ties, and the belief that the moon is trying to kill him.

Gilson Lubin

A Canadian Comedy Award winner, opening for the current prince of comedy himself, Dave Chappelle, and a host on MTV Canada, the sky's the limit for comedian Gilson Lubin. Racking up one of the more impressive resumes in his short time as a comedian can make him seem as a veteran at times, but it's his calm demeanour and his love for the stage that makes Gilson one of the more sought after comedians. The opportunity to catch Gilson's show is one you shouldn't miss. This young man is ready for it all.

Events

Haliburton Curling Club AGM

Please plan to attend the Haliburton Curling Club's annual general meeting on Sunday, Oct. 10 at 3 p.m. at the Haliburton Curling Club, located at 730 Mountain St.

For more information call 705-457-2830

First fall meeting for Haliburton Highlands Field Naturalists

Come to the HHFN's first fall meeting on Thursday, Oct. 21 at the Haliburton School of the Arts and learn about local lake ecology. A guest speaker will be in attendance and the meeting takes place at 7:30 p.m.

Note: There will be a special members' meeting held immediately prior to 7 p.m.

For more information visit users.xplornet.com/~hhfn/

Free legal services at clinics

Community Legal Clinic, funded in part by Legal Aid Ontario, provides free legal services to low-income residents of Simcoe County, Haliburton County and the City of Kawartha Lakes.

The group is hosting clinics on Oct. 8 and 22 in Minden and Haliburton (and every second Friday commencing Aug. 13). Appointments required.

Please call 1-800-461-8953 x34 to set up an appointment in Haliburton or Minden.

'Live Poets in the Pub'

On Wednesday, Oct. 20 from 7-9 p.m. at the Dominion Hotel, the Haliburton Writers' and Editors' Network will present 'Live Poets in the Pub'. Not to be confused with the "Deads" (who come to life on the Dominion stage only on occasion).

Meet and listen to wordsmiths who are out to prove that the creation of original, enthralling poetry and song writing is very much alive and thriving here in the Haliburton Highlands.

Come to participate or just to hoist a pint and enjoy original poetry and song. This lively group now meets on the third Wednesday of each month. Bring your original poems and good cheer.

For further information call Pat Brown at 705-286-6448.

The Great Whip-poor-will Survey-Community Mobilization and Habitat Modeling for Birds at Risk Project

The Haliburton Highlands Land Trust is pleased to announce their grant application to the Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources Species at Risk Stewardship Fund has been approved.

Calling all bird and outdoor enthusiasts! Six (6) birds - new species at risk (SAR) have been added and identified in Haliburton County: the Whip-poor-will, Chimney Swift, Canada Warbler, Common Nighthawk, Olive-sided Flycatcher, and Bald Eagle.

Unfortunately these birds are all declining in numbers. In order to counter these declines, we need to understand the distribution of these birds.

You can help! If you see or hear any of the birds listed above, please report those sightings to Paul Heaven at 705-286-3181 or pheaven@glenside-eco.ca. Or you can fill in an online form at www.thelandbetween.ca/rare-species-form.asp

Project funding will allow the Land Trust to update and reprint the very popular Species at Risk Journal in a new and improved format that will allow for easy updates. As well, in partnership with The Land Between, two workshops will be delivered to teach Haliburton County residents bird and habitat identification and inventory techniques. Two additional reptiles at risk workshops will be provided to maintain the momentum generated by the recently held, and highly successful Reptiles at Risk Workshops (see below).

These workshops will take place at The Land Between's Science and Stewardship Symposium Friday, October 15th from 1 p.m. - 4 p.m. and on Saturday, October 16 from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. There will be 4 workshop presentations.

For more information, such as details on workshop venues, go to the HHLT web site at www.haliburtonlandtrust.ca.

The Story of the Camera unfolds at Cultural Centre

From Oct. 5-23, Reg Holloway is bringing a fantastic camera collection and knowledge to you. In addition, Joe Smith utilizes his camera skills at the studio set up.

Have your portrait put on Christmas cards or printed off for you.

Check out www.mindenculturalcentre.com for accompanying workshops/demonstrations information or call 705-286-3154.

Enrol for courses at the School of the Arts

Enrol for a week-long immersion in the art between Oct. 25 and 29 at the Haliburton School of the Arts.

Courses include: cake decorating, mixing media, mosaics, open studio - painting, totem mask and totem pole carving or watercolours for dummies.

For more information visit www.haliburtonschoolofthearts.ca or call 705-457-1680.

Along The White Trail By Marci Mandel

WHAT HAPPINESS

Ahhh.

I love the fall.

Finally there's a chance to slow down, linger in bed, and read a book again. What happiness- especially when my husband brings me a cup of coffee or two.

The morning light shines through my window and its hue is comforting: majestic. The gold radiates through to my core and washes clutter away. I am connected now to the wonder of life and bask in its grace. Life is good; love is here.

After a late breakfast, we meet friends for a hike around the sugar bush. The two young girls are curious and adventurous always wanting to know what's around the next bend - just like me then...and now. What joy, what freedom to get lost and found off the trail. What fond memories flood in.

To lead and follow and crack open quartz and slip on old moss and trip in the mud and find delicate orange flowers and red leaves and climb over and under capsized poplars and follow deer tracks and spot two kinds of woodpeckers and marvel at the blue heron in the tree and scale rock cliffs and nearly step on huge spiders and return once again to the faint path and laugh and eat cookies and hug goodbye. What happiness.

I've started guitar lessons and am practicing my scales diligently- finally they're fun because I now appreciate their fundamental power. And then I attempt the new song I've always admired and can now play. I experiment to find the right key then let my voice sing out. What happiness.

To plan a turkey dinner and search for new recipes and prepare the rooms and make apple pies, apple sauce and spice cake and make time to go out and look at the stars.

The sweaters come out, the wood comes in: a whole new way of life settles in.

I love the fall.

The sounds of the acorns plunk.... plunk...plunking down through the branches, the crunchy leaves that make squirrels sound like bears, the waves lapping over the dock and the kettle whistling proudly.

There's something in the air that grounds me in the goodness of life. Reaping rewards then sharing the bounty is the natural order. There's plenty to go around now, plenty to put down.

Boats pulled out, stabilizers poured in, lawn chairs retired.



Then there's: gigantic pumpkins, little princesses, and vampires biting into chocolate.

It's hard to believe I used to loathe autumn. Everything would fall, including my spirits. But now, as I stand on two strong legs, my heart is full of appreciation.

Ahhh, what happiness.



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Events

He's back! "Thriller" themed Halloween dance

Join the town of Minden on Friday, Oct. 29 for the always fun, annual Halloween dance starting at 7 p.m. After 9 p.m. the dance floor will transform into an all adult dance in the 80s theme. A special star from the 80s will be visiting! Prizes for best costume. Games, hauntings, movie videos and more will all be a part of the scary evening. For more information contact Rick Cox at 705-286-1936.

Gone to Pot: Adventures in Clay

Shape your own clay creations on wheel and slab and visit several pottery studios on this fully guided day adventure on Saturday, Oct. 16. This package is available with or without accommodation.

Please register at least one week in advance. Contact Barrie Martin at info@yoursoutdoors.ca or call 705-754-3436.

Rails End Gallery presents: Tactile Memories October 2-30 2010

Opening reception for this exhibit is on Saturday, October 2 from 2-4 p.m.

Expect to see textiles from local collections and hear the stories behind them.

This exhibition is curated by Wendy E. Bateman with Laurie Jones.

For more information visit www.railsendgallery.com or call 705-457-2330.

Composer to visit Haliburton for Canadian premiere

The Haliburton Concert Series presents their final concert of the season, featuring the Made in Canada quartet performing the works of Mozart, Hedges, Turina and Brahms. John B. Hedges himself is coming in from New York for this Canadian premiere of his work on Saturday, November 13. The quartet includes pianist Angela Park, violinist Sarita Kwok, violist Sharon Wei and cellist Rachel Mercer, and the concert starts at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are \$30 for adults and \$10 for students, and are available from Brenda Robinson at 705-457-2695. More for details visit www.haliburtoncs.blogspot.com.

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Events



Festival of Trees – Sponsorship Opportunities

The Minden Hills Festival of Trees is a magical event for the entire family, filled with wonderful things to see, interesting shops to visit, fun activities for children all with a Christmas theme. The Festival will be held at the Minden Hills Cultural Centre and revenues generated will support educational and public programs on our heritage, natural heritage, literacy, visual art and the environment.

Agnes Jamison Gallery, R.D. Lawrence Place, the Minden Hills Museum and the Minden Hills branch of the Haliburton County Public Library will be filled with beautifully decorated Christmas trees in different sizes along with wreaths, centre pieces, garlands and gift baskets.

Find an art themed tree in the Gallery, an eco themed tree in R.D. Lawrence Place and a book themed tree in the Library. Outdoors enjoy lights and outdoor arrangements. The Minden Hills Cultural Centre Foundation (Arts Alive Minden) will be raffling all trees, wreaths, centrepieces and gift baskets. Outdoor arrangements will also be for sale.

Visitors can also enjoy the old fashioned Candy Shop in our Sterling Bank building. Shop for Christmas themed Gifts and Crafts in the main building and take advantage of free children's activities in the old School House.

The private/public partnerships forged through these sponsorships is mutually beneficial and represents an investment in the community. By becoming a Cultural Centre sponsor you are helping to ensure that arts and culture remain an important part of our community and economy. In return the Cultural Centre offers valuable benefits including recognition in the Cultural Centre newsletter, exhibition catalogues, website and advertising.

Please take the time to consider supporting the Cultural Centre by reading through the opportunities on the page that follows. Someone from the Cultural Centre will call to follow-up soon.

For more information, please feel free to contact me at 705-286-2808 or go to www.mindenculturalcentre.com.

Home Builders to host fraud and scams seminar on October 21

The Haliburton County Home Builders Association is partnering with the OPP and the Community Care Haliburton Kawartha Lakes Elder Abuse Network to present a seminar titled "Protecting Yourself against Fraud and Scams".

Aggie Tose, executive officer with the Home Builders, said the seminar is open to the entire community and their role will be to introduce their new Renomark program and talk about issues faced by consumers when dealing with contractors. Tose said the Renomark program was developed initially by the Toronto Homebuilders Association and offers consumers a degree of comfort when hiring a contractor. Contractors who are allowed to use the Renomark brand have taken the course and offer a business licence, insurance, ethical standards and advice. All Renomark contractors in Haliburton are also members of the HCHBA.

"Consumers should be able to have more confidence in the contractor they are calling," Tose said, adding that the largest percentage of phone calls she receives at the Home Builders Association are after people are in a "predicament."

"It comes down to communication between the consumer and the contractor," Tose said. "That's the first breakdown."

Tose said she will be discussing these issues at the seminar, and how to find a quality contractor.

"If they guy you're calling can do the job tomorrow, you might wonder why," Tose said. "I know everyone wants their job done yesterday, but you might have to wait for a quality contractor to become available for the job, and with this kind of investment, you shouldn't be dealing in cash."

Tose said the OPP will be discussing various frauds and scams that they are aware of and will offer advice on when it is time to call the police and what the police will need to know.

Karen Anderson with the Elder Abuse Network will discuss the vulnerability faced by elders who are living alone, some of the issues they many face and where they can get help.

This seminar will be held at the Haliburton Legion from 9 a.m. to noon On October 21. For more information please contact Aggie Tose at 457-3837. □

Mini Putt this year at the Haliburton Driving Range is by donation only with all proceeds going to SICKKIDS FOUNDATION. Thus far we have raised over \$1900!



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Record Keeping To Help Save On Income Tax

One small area that I am going to talk about today is record keeping around secondary residences. Here in Haliburton County, as we all know, there are a lot of cottages. For some it is an investment/rental property, but for many, the cottage is a family asset purchased purely for pleasure and not for an investment opportunity. If over time the family cottage appreciates in value one will not complain, and that is what it does slowly after the passing years and then decades. It is not unusual to see a cottage being part of a family for more than 30 years before it changes hands to the next generation or sold to another family to enjoy.

A principle residence is the last asset that we have that can grow in value and when we sell it all of the growth is tax free. There was a time when a couple could own two properties, home and cottage, and each claimed one as a principle residence getting this wonderful tax free advantage on each property. Now however, a couple can only name one property as a principle residence. A principle residence in the eye of Revenue Canada does not just mean your home; it is any family property, such as cottage or condo that you own in Canada. You are not limited to choosing one or the other you also can pick and choose different years. What I mean by that is, in a very simple example, let's say you owned your house and cottage for 20 years and the house doubled in value the 1st 10 years and the cottage did most of its appreciation in the 2nd 10 years and now you decide to sell the house and move to the cottage. You could indicate that the house was your principle residence for the 1st 10 years only and claim the gain on the cottage in the 2nd 10 years as a principle residence making the primary cottage growth tax free.

When I say indicate, I mean indicate. When you sell a property that could be considered a principle residence, Revenue Canada assumes that, unless you tell them otherwise on your tax return the year it is sold, all the years of ownership on that property are being designated as principle residence. So in my simple example above, the gain on the cottage in the 2nd 10 years would become taxable when the property is sold or transferred to an heir. Record keeping is important. With a property that is not a principle residence, for income tax, you can deduct from the growth over the years any expenses or upgrades to the property including the cost of buying and selling. The list of deductions is long. My advice is to keep all your bills and receipts for all of your family properties even if you have a decade worth of receipts. Your accountant can determine what qualifies as a deduction from the capital gain of the property when it is sold. Because you can pick and choose different years to claim different properties as a principle residence, keep records for all properties because it is not until you actually sell one that the decision has to be made to designate the principle residence exemption on which property over which years. You might have expenses for a property in a year that you are not going to claim as a principle residence and this expense might be a tax deduction.

I am just touching the surface on this topic. If you would like to discuss your personal situation with me please do not hesitate to call me at 705-457-3207 or email me at susan@susanleecfp.com.

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Science

Can you really have a brain wave?

Even when you're asleep your nerve cells are hard at work. They're passing electric shocks all over your brain to keep you dreaming and breathing, and so on. These messages move like waves, and doctors are able to measure them. When you're sleeping, the waves are large and slow. When you're awake but relaxed, they're faster and smaller. And when you're studying or running fast the waves look sharp and jagged. So if anyone ever tells you that a brilliant idea you've had a "brain wave", just say you have them all the time!



Some Ideas for Helping Teens Cope with Stress:

- Encourage them to blow off steam with sports or exercise.
- Give praise for what they are doing right. Write encouraging notes or cards.
- Allow them privacy and space, but give attention and time when they want it.
- Be willing to negotiate, and allow them to make as many decisions for themselves as possible.
- Set reasonable limits with appropriate consequences – for example, privileges conditional on adherence to limits.
- Help them set clear, achievable goals. Teach them problem-solving skills.
- Encourage them to express themselves in writing, journals, songs, poetry, etc.

"If you can find humor in anything, you can survive it." – Bill Cosby

Taking things less seriously by looking for and laughing at the absurdities of life all around you is a great stress-reducer. Think of comedians who make their living by simply recounting the ridiculous and amusing circumstances of their day-to-day lives. Imagine what they could do with your life!



Lange on the Law

Donald Lange

by **Donald J. Lange**
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Incorporating

Some businesses conduct themselves as sole proprietorships. The business may have a business name but it is owned and operated by an individual who is personally liable to the world at large for the conduct of the business. Some businesses, however, are incorporated. When this occurs, the business enjoys a separate legal personality from its owner called the "corporate veil." The owner has shares in the company and, if it's a small business, the owner is often the sole shareholder, director, and officer (president) of the company. There are two good reasons to incorporate a business. A company usually enjoys a lower tax bracket than an individual and, most importantly, the owner of the company, as shareholder, director, and officer, is not personally liable for the conduct of the business. This means that personal assets, such as a home, are not at risk.

You may find yourself in a situation as a business person where you finally want to incorporate but there is not enough time to have your lawyer do the paperwork before you sign a contract you are negotiating. You may be negotiating a contract for services relating to your business or an agreement of purchase and sale to purchase a property next to your business. The law under the Ontario Business Corporations Act provides you with a mechanism whereby you may sign the contract as a "pre-incorporation" contract and do the paperwork later for the incorporation. It is important that you sign the contract in such a manner that the other party to the contract knows that the contract will be with a company and not with you personally. Signing the contract with words such as "John Doe on behalf of a company to be incorporated" will satisfy this requirement. At this stage, however, you are still personally bound to perform the contract and entitled to the benefits of the contract.

In order to eliminate your personal liability under the contract, you must take two further steps. You must incorporate the company and the company must adopt the contract. At this point, the company is bound by the contract and is entitled to the benefits of the contract. You are no longer personally exposed under the contract. Under the Business Corporations Act, there is no requirement for a formal adoption of the pre-incorporation contract by the company or formal advice to the other contracting party. The Ontario Court of Appeal has found that even a letter between the lawyers involved is sufficient. All the company is required to do is to have knowledge of the contract and its terms. In the next column, I will be talking about agreements to agree.

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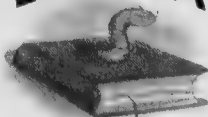
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Learn A



Word

Travesty

/ˈtrə-ve-stē/n: an imitation that makes crude fun of something; also: an inferior imitation

The senator complained that the president's foreign policy was a travesty, a half-hearted attempt at leadership that would prove both ineffective and dangerous.

Did you know? English-speaking picked up "travesty" from the French verb travestir, meaning "to disguise", but the word's roots wind back through several languages to Latin. That ancient tongue included vestire, a verb meaning "to clothe" or "to dress", which is the great-great-grandparent of "travesty" and a number of other English words, including "transvestite", "divest", "investiture", and just plain "vest".

Dumb Criminals

Man's Mullet Does Him In

A tenacious police dog and a telltale mullet haircut left no doubt among sheriff's deputies in Kitsap County, Washington, that a 28-year-old South Kitsap man was the person who walked into a neighbour's home uninvited the morning of June 21.

A 22-year-old resident of Port Orchard dialed 911 just after midnight to report that "a man with a mullet" had entered his home uninvited and refused to leave, according to reports.

The resident told deputies that he had invited some friends over to his new place along the 900 block of Retsil Road East. The man with a mullet, whose name was not released, and his friend walked up to the house with a case of beer and asked if they could party with them.

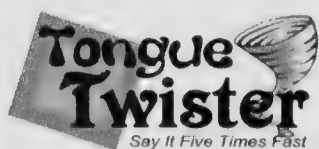
The homeowner said no and the men left on foot. Ten minutes later, the man with the mullet came back and forced his way into the home. He pushed the homeowner aside and went into the living room, trying to mingle with the people inside, reports state.

The group of people pushed out the man, who the report alleges was drunk. He returned, saying he was a sheriff's deputy in an attempt to be allowed into the house. The homeowner locked all of his doors and windows to prevent the man from coming inside.

When deputies arrived, they used a police dog to track the man's scent. They found him sitting outside his home along the 2500 block of East Third Street.

The man said that he wanted to say "hi" to his new neighbours, but did not admit to going inside the house. He later said that he went inside, but didn't push anyone. Then he recanted, saying that he never went inside, according to reports.

He was arrested on suspicion of burglary and taken to the Kitsap County jail. As of this writing, he's being held on \$25,000 bail.



Mr. Sec owned a saw.
And Mr. Soar owned a seesaw.
Now See's saw sawed Soar's seesaw
Before Soar saw See,
Which made Soar sore.
Had Soar seen See's saw
Before See sawed Soar's seesaw,
See's saw would not have sawed
Soar's seesaw.
So See's saw sawed Soar's seesaw.
But it was sad to see Soar so sore
Just because See's saw sawed
Soar's seesaw!

Bad Predictions

Airplanes

Flight by machines heavier than air is unpractical (sic) and insignificant, if not utterly impossible.

- Simon Newcomb; The Wright Brothers flew at Kittyhawk 18 months later. Newcomb was not impressed.

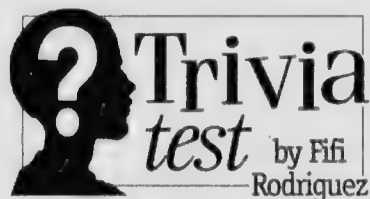
Heavier-than-air flying machines are impossible. Lord Kelvin, British mathematician and physicist, president of the British Royal Society, 1895.

It is apparent to me that the possibilities of the aeroplane, which two or three years ago were thought to hold the solution to the [flying machine] problem, have been exhausted, and that we must turn elsewhere. Thomas Edison, American inventor, 1895.

Airplanes are interesting toys but of no military value. Marechal Ferdinand Foch, Professor of Strategy, École Supérieure de Guerre, 1904.

There will never be a bigger plane built.

A Boeing engineer, after the first flight of the 247, a twin engine plane that holds ten people.



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2. MEASUREMENTS: When would an antepenultimate event be held?
3. LANGUAGE: What is another name for a virgule, a type of punctuation?
4. FAMOUS QUOTATIONS: Who once said, "An onion can make people cry, but there has never been a vegetable invented to make them laugh"?
5. INVENTIONS: When was Astroturf patented?
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Don Harron is not Charlie Farquharson and Both are Absolutely Delightful

A dude-worthy octogenarian renaissance man chats about life, theater and books

■ By Terrance Gavan

It's interesting that my first "prepared question" to Don Harron during a Pinestone Resort Q and A last summer was going to reference his duality.

We all know that Don Harron is not Charlie Farquharson. And flip that vice to a verse-a.

Harron is a product of Toronto - not Parried Sound.

He is about as far removed from his roots-deep soothsayer, wood-choppin' philosopher cousin - and Hee-Haw star - Charlie Farquharson as the Rt. Hon. Steve Harper is from his own well-oiled caricature; the cashmere-trundled, porcelain-smile-bundled, Prime Minister Stevie Wonderhair.

Knowing this, I intended to introduce myself to one of Canada's most renowned writers and comedians via the following gem: "So Don, how's that schizophrenia thing been treatin' ya'? All. These. Years."

I ran that ditty by the golden conscience. And he winced. Physically. And in a slow measured tone, offered the following: "What. If. He is?"

Hmmm.

And so I did what I usually do to prepare for interviews.

I ripped up my prepared questions (two) and decided to rely on my 30 year addiction to CBC Radio for talking points.

Let's clear up a few things. Don Harron knows exactly where the line is drawn between Charlie Farquharson and his everyday persona. He remains - trust me on this folks - sharp as that proverbial tack. He displays none of the classic traits of a split personality. And he is a joy to be around. A bon vivant. And a very charming dude.

Actually he's the first 86-year-old man that I have ever called dude, but lemme' tell ya' that Mr. Harron is eminently and precisely dude-worthy. Eighty-six?? Doesn't look a day over 71 and I let him know. He asked, "Is that supposed to be a compliment?"

And then that laugh. That groundswell from smile to exuberant exhale. Infectious and dappled with the charming accoutrement of a life well-lived. I'm presuming here. But looking at Don Harron with his third wife, Claudette Gareau, one can't help but be amazed at the happiness and effervescent glow extant in that vibrant personality. Gareau stars with Harron in the impeccable musical variety show that played to SRO houses at the Haliburton Summer Festival last summer.

Talking with Charlie - err - Don was exactly like sitting down with your hippest uncle. He and Claudette sank into the deep chairs in the Pinestone Big Hall, sunlight drifting through the large windows and we talked, laughed and cajoled for over an hour.

Let's qualify that. Don talked, while Claudette and I laughed. I managed to slip that schizophrenia question - screw you golden conscience - into the mix about 10 minutes in and it got a laugh, a nod and a story.

Don's mind is uncluttered and beautifully tangential. We always got where we were going but getting there was like the old train ride up to cottage country. Full of stops, whistles, slow bends and that delightful meandering pace. Sidings. That's what a chat with Charlie and Don is

like. Sitting in the club car, parked on a siding while a CP freight train rumbles past on a clear prairie afternoon. Just a nice place to spend a few minutes before clunking back onto that main line.

His show, which played as part of the Highland Summer Festival is sprinkled with some old reliable Charlie standards, but Don also injects a lot of new material into his act. Always has. And during the course of the interview I soon learned that I was being used as a foil for some of the new additions to the act. An honour I accepted with equanimity and with pleasure.

Harron says he still begins each day with a wide-eyed search and sift through the Globe and Mail and a few local papers. He cuts out articles of interest and tidbits for use in his act. He performed in August at the Northern Lights Pavilion, Charlie delivered a fresh monologue with bits from the old days - references to his 18-year stint on Hee-Haw - with new material ranging from the G8 in Huntsville to some very fine bits on the current parliament and the global economic situation.

The crowd was in stitches and I was glued with interest at the intensity he still brings to that grand old man of Canadian comedy. He still works it with the same aplomb he brought to the role back in the 50s. He is not unique.

A lot of his cronies and contemporaries are still working hard, delivering the goods. Chris Plummer, Don Sutherland, Bill Shatner, Don has worked with them all during his stints trodding the boards at Stratford.

He remembers a time when he and Captain Kirk (Shatner) were doing the comedy, Taming of the Shrew. Face to face on stage they were exchanging dialogue when the audience burst into laughter; now laughter is good in a Shakespeare comedy, but this gale exhaling from the crowd was at a more serious part in the dialogue.

After the play, they went to the stage manager, who soon solved the problem. "Turns out a squirrel or a chipmunk had popped his head through a hole in the old boards on the stage," laughs Harron.

More much more than meets the eye.

His stints at Stratford led to more Shakespearean roles, including a run at the Old Vic in England. Offers came from Broadway and Hollywood. An article by Marcia Kaye explains the depth of his broader theatrical career. "When he played the lead in the Broadway play Home is the Hero (which his buddy Christopher Plummer still refers to as "Here is the Homo"), critic Walter Kerr described Harron as one of the three best young actors in North America" writes Kaye. "When he starred in Look Back in Anger, which toured the United States, columnist Hedda Hopper raved about 'Donald Harron, who gives a brilliant performance.'

Katharine Hepburn - who specifically requested Harron to be her co-star in a Connecticut production of The Merchant of Venice - urged Harron to go to Hollywood. Paramount Pictures signed him to a seven-year contract, publicizing him as "a combination of Leslie Howard and Montgomery Clift." Over the next several years, he guest-starred on one top show after another, making full use of his gift for accents. He played a Scottish surgeon on Dr. Kildare, an Australian terrorist on The Man From U.N.C.L.E., a British wing commander on Twelve O'Clock High.

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Don Harron cont'd

Some CBC Radio junkies know the other Harron from his five year stint with Morningside, a run which solidified his bona fides as a working journalist. A man of many talents this Harron feller. Peter Gzowski followed him after he left Morningside.

You may wonder, as I did so often, why he was never allowed to bring that bon vivant alter ego into play on CBC's Morningside - Don was the host from 1977-82.

"I was on CFRB as Charlie and they wouldn't allow Charlie on the CBC but I snuck him in once to interview him on the Old Testament," smiles Harron, conspiratorially. "I panned it (The Old Testament) and Charlie got furious. That's the only time Charlie was on Morningside."

Interesting as well, was Don's take on Gzowski's friendly palace coup d'état.

"Gzowski started This Country in the Morning and then they made that disastrous move to television, where he was just terrible," says Harron. Not Gzowski's fault he says.

"They tried to dress him in a suit and Peter was not a suit guy ... he's a radio guy."

Anyway, time was right for a change, Gzowski needed his rack and rumple back, and Harron turned over the Morningside reins to young Peter in 1982.

"He was waiting at the door after I finished five years," laughs Harron. "We passed in the hallway as I was leaving." Harron went on to host his own show on CTV (The Don Harron Show) from 1983-85.

And Charlie?

How did Charlie spring to life to become a soaring star of Hee-Haw and the perennial down-home darling of small town Canada?

Well, says Don, we can blame that on fate, a once-removed-second-cousin's dairy farm, a keen ear for dialect, and an abiding inability to deal with Grade 13 physics.

"I'm a Toronto boy," smiles Harron. "I tried to get past my physics exam and failed twice; so I was in my sixth year of high school, and I was taking a commercial course. Trying physics again for the second time, and I was learning to type; which is great because 15 books later it's come in handy; and so then I went to the farm.

"I got on the farm because they gave you your senior matriculation if you went on a farm for six months. So I took the easy way out you see. Fourteen hours a day on a dairy farm. The farm (belonging to a relative) was south of Lindsay in the little village of Wick, near Sunderland. The guy I worked for wore the old worn sweater, glasses and the hat; he was my mother's cousin, Charles Hadley.

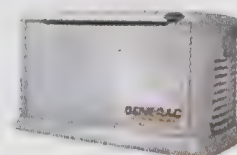
"Now Charles didn't sound like Charlie, but there were guys around the threshing camps, some of them did (talk like Charlie) and they cont'd on page 24



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Don Harron cont'd

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were rough, but they didn't swear, just talked about family relationships. Stuff like 'ah, yeah, she was a Rebel on her father's side. And 'She was a Hoare, one of the Oshawa Hoares.'

"But I didn't do Charlie till '52. I did him with Spring Thaw, the review. I was working with Jane Mallett who was the star. Many people don't remember, but Jane was this wonderful Canadian comedian. A legend. And I said to her after one performance, 'Jane, why aren't they laughing?' (At his lines). And she said, 'Don it's because you're too young to criticize the government, they don't trust you. Get a mask, be an older person.' So I did."

That was 1952, and Don was an aspiring comedian who needed to get old. In a hurry.

Enter that crass, opinionated country gentleman with the old sweater, the glasses, the cap, the drawl and that special gift of the superbly timed malapropism.

The mangled syntax and turn of phrase – "those Oshawa Hoares, are they related to those Ottawa Hoares?" – was born. A serendipitously delightful gift to Don, from one of the grand old dames of Canadian comedy. A seminal moment. All stemming from that consummate comedic knowledge of audience; something Mallet had, in spades. Or spuds as Charlie would say.

A gift. From the shadows of giants, we learn. If we possess the drive, desire and great big Charlie cohunes.

Nice ride this duplex and dichotomy of spirit.

Don just laughs at the disconnect between his own life and the care-free, captivating and capricious life of Charlie Farquharson.

"Jane was right, and even today Charlie gets away with a lot," says Don. "I never got a hate letter as Charlie; on Morningside, lots.

"Charlie can say anything and get away with it," says Claudette.

The Hee-Haw gig, which lasted 18 years for Charlie emerged from the dust and detritus of a popular, but sponsor unfriendly, variety show. The Smother's Brothers were cancelled in 1969 when their tweaks against the Vietnam War finally forced the network's hand.

"The Smother's Brothers were getting too smart-assed about the Vietnam War, so CBS cancelled them and the execs said, 'What about a country music show?'" says Harron. "They didn't know anything about country music and one of them said 'What would you call it?' And (one of the producers) said 'HEE-HAW!' Just on the spot.

"And they said okay we'll do a summer, try it out. And we did a summer, and the New York Times said that, 'It was the only summer

replacement in memory that needed a summer replacement.'"

But that paled in comparison to what critics in Canada had to say.

Charlie er Don remembers vividly what his home town paper wrote: "Patrick Scott, the jazz critic for the Toronto Star said, 'If you watch this show, you do not deserve to own a television.'"

But says Don, Charlie, Minnie Pearl, Roy Clark and the rest of the gang ended up having the last laugh.

"The show went on to run for 25 years," says Harron. Yes payback's a bitch isn't it Pat. Jazz snobs. Who needs 'em.

"Which brings up something that HL Mencken said," says Harron. 'Nobody ever went broke underestimating the intelligence of the American people.'

"Look at the contemporary shows. Laugh-In was so clever ... lasted only three years. It's the first time country got a break on network television." Fun times too at the Opry. "Minnie Pearl and I used to do Shakespeare off camera. She was an accomplished actress."

And lest you think that Charlie might be finding some time now to rest on his laurels, well think again.

This summer, like most summers, Charlie is again immersed in the production of his musical tribute to Anne of Green Gables.

The book is by Don Harron, the music is by Norman Campbell and the lyrics by Don Harron, Norman Campbell, Elaine Campbell and Mavor Moore. The musical has been performed continuously ever since 1965.

According to Don the idea was hatched when the Campbells were paying a visit. Don was reading the book to the kids and gave them a copy. A little later they approached him to collaborate on Anne of Green Gables – The Musical.

It's been a labour of love for Harron ever since.

Indeed the couple flew in from PEI especially for the sold out performances of Charlie Farquharson and Dem Udders.

Oh and spoiler alert. Don and Claudette will be on the road this fall, plugging Charlie Farquharson's newest book on life, foibles, politics, and Ohhhh Canada.

There's this teensy problem with the title. Don and Charlie love it.

The publishers think it's a little lugubrious.

He ran it by me. It's a good mouthful, but not inconceivably long-winded.

"Like it Terry?" Don asked.

"Love it Don," I replied. "But hell, I'm crazy ... about titles with rhyming couplets. Or just plain crazy."

Don ... or Charlie ... just smiled.

At the end of our chat Don said something quite special.

Turns out, it was something my dad once told me.

Left me with a special feeling that a little bit of crazy is a pretty good thing.

If you've been laughing with Charlie Farquharson for the last half century; and you respect his capacity for his poignant capacity for harmonizing dysfunction; you'll know exactly what I mean.

A last wish for Charlie and Don, rapidly approaching George Burns' territory.

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"This year, 13 artists are ready to go," said Gail Stelter, Arts Council Education Coordinator. "Our goal is 174 sessions in 29 classes for almost 600 students. We have the artists; we have the students; we don't have all the funds. With Maarten Steinkamp's contribution of a full sponsorship of \$1,500, we will be able to provide six artists sessions to one classroom (it costs approximately \$9.60 per student per session). This figure also includes artist fees, art supplies and travel.

Partial sponsorships of \$750 and \$500 are also available."

Since 2004, the Artists in the Schools program has been providing opportunities for children in Haliburton County to learn from artists who live in their community. Ceramic artists, puppeteers, actors, musicians, dancers, painters, sculptors, print-makers, percussionists, jewelry artists, storytellers, artist blacksmiths, glass blowers, and fabric artists have all designed and delivered sessions to students at all five of the county's elementary schools. In the 2009-2010 school year, 11 artists provided 100 sessions in 18 classes for 365 students.

The Arts Council-Haliburton Highlands: Artists in the Schools Program is seeking partnerships with Haliburton County businesses, community groups and organizations.

"Art and culture play a significant role in the life and economy of our local communities, but many of the children attending our small elementary schools live in rural settings or live in poverty. Elementary schools in Haliburton County are places where our children gather, but limited budgets and resources restrict the creative experiences the schools can provide for their students," added Stelter in a press release.

As a 'Classroom Sponsor' for the Artists in the Schools program, a business, community group or organization will receive media coverage, a partnership announcement to Arts Council contacts, an invitation to see a class in action, verbal acknowledgement of the partnership at all Arts Council events, logo recognition in the Arts Directory & Map and in the school curriculum, and a pair of complimentary tickets to the annual Arts Honours Gala – a celebration of arts in the Haliburton Highlands.

Gail Stelter is coordinating the Artists in the Schools Sponsorship Fundraising Campaign. If you would like to schedule a presentation, obtain more information or become a sponsor, please contact Gail at gail@haliburtonarts.on.ca or call the Arts Council office at 705-457-8033.



These artists are ready to go! From left, Julie Barban, Jennifer Wanless-Craig, Jackie McChesney, Chyna Schell, Ron Evans, Erin Lynch, Gail Stelter (coordinator), Arlene Johnston, Andrea Hillo in front: Fay Wilkinson, Lisa Barry. Photo by Kim McBrien

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It's Happening in Kinmount

By Lynne Kilby

What does Thanksgiving mean to you? Of course I love the gatherings and feasts, but for me, Thanksgiving is the perfect time for reflection, traditions, and the giving of thanks. Thank you to The Highlands Communicator and The Kinmount Gazette who provide a voice for the Kinmount community. I am thankful to live in Kinmount, a vibrant community who has overcome monumental disasters time after time. For Kinmount, that is tradition. Kinmount is strong. My most meaningful tradition is sharing my mother's poetry with those I am thankful to know. My mother was a closet poet. We found her writings after she passed. Here's one for you.

The Mirror

By Beryl Spencer

I look in the mirror and what do I see?
Someone in their 60's looking right back at me.
But that can't be right, it can't possibly be,
Too old to be young and too young to be old,
The saddest of stories that ever was told.
The years go so quickly, so terribly fast,
It seems that each one flies more quick than the last.
And so it would seem that the mirror is true.
It can't be disputed by me or by you.
But the feeling inside me just won't go away.
You're as old as you feel.
I feel younger each day!

Thank you for allowing me to share with you. I sincerely hope you enjoy your time with family and friends this Thanksgiving. Here's one way to do that. Add a little quality time to your festivities by participating in the Harvest Homecoming Celebrations in Kinmount. In fact, you could make this a Thanksgiving tradition. Enter the Harvest Homestead Decorating Contest, open to individuals and businesses. Decorate your outdoor area and register by calling 488-2961 by Oct. 7. Prizes awarded for both categories. Events kick off Saturday, October 9 with an Outdoor Pancake Breakfast by Kinmount Railway Station, served from 8:00 a.m. till 11:00 a.m. A BBQ lunch follows available till 2:00 p.m. Enjoy live music along with the last chance to taste the flavour of Kinmount Farmer's Market this season. Remember to enter the free draw for a Farmer's Market Basket. You also have the chance to be a judge by tasting pie samples and voting for your favourite. Contestants in the Pie Baking Contest should bring 2 homemade pies of the same type (either apple or pumpkin) to the Railway Station by 9:00 a.m. Make sure to catch the Flintstone Cardboard Car Races at 11:00 a.m. Contestants make a fall themed car using only cardboard, which they use to compete in running races. Prizes awarded for best decorated and fastest in 3 age categories - 6 & under, 7 - 11, & 12 & up. Kids will enjoy face painting, a bouncy castle, games, crafts and more. In the event of rain most activities take place at Kinmount Community Centre. The Harvest Homecoming Celebration is sponsored by Kinmount Business Association, a sub-committee of Kinmount Committee for Planning & Economic Development.

Another activity to enjoy with family and friends is the Thanksgiving Harvest Homecoming Studio Tour which takes place both Saturday and Sunday of Thanksgiving Weekend. The tour, now in its 16th year, provides the opportunity to check out gorgeous fall scenery while touring a 15 km radius of Kinmount to visit over 10 artisans. Pick up your map at Kinmount Artisans Marketplace located in the lower level of Kinmount Community Centre. Make sure to get your brochure signed at each location and then turn it in at your final destination for your chance to win a great prize. The tour is free and is sponsored by Kinmount & Area Artisans Guild.

On Monday of Thanksgiving Weekend Kinmount Lions Club holds their Annual ATV Draw at 1:00 p.m. at Kinmount Legion parking lot. It's not too late to get a ticket on your chance to win the ATV or one of the other 17 fabulous prizes. Tickets are only \$10.

The Children's Community Halloween Party takes place Saturday October 23 from 6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. at Kinmount Community Centre. Admission to the party is free with a donation for the Food Bank. Bring a carved pumpkin for the Jack O' Lantern Contest. Visit the fortune teller. Lots of fun, games and a costume contest. The party is sponsored by the Kinmount Community Centre Board of Management.

This is also the season to delight in some delicious feasts at many upcoming community dinners. Make sure to check them out.

Please contact me at 705-488-2919 or email me at lynne.kilby@sympatico.ca to share news or event information and remember to keep visiting kinmount.ca for current information. Happy Thanksgiving! See you in Kinmount!

UPCOMING EVENTS

Oct. 9 Harvest Homecoming Celebrations at Kinmount Railway Station. Outdoor Pancake Breakfast, Pie Contest, Flintstone Cardboard Car Races and more. Last chance of the season to visit Kinmount Farmers Market & Kinmount Model Railroad & Museum.
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Oct. 11 Kinmount & District Lions Club ATV Draw 1:00 p.m. at the Royal Canadian Legion.

Oct. 14 Casino Rama trip sponsored by Kinmount Seniors Group. The bus leaves the legion parking lot at 9:00 a.m. Enjoy a free lunch while you are there. Return time is 4:00 p.m. Bus cost is \$5.00. To reserve your spot call Theresa at 488-1110

Oct. 16 Friends of the Library Book Sale 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. lower level Kinmount Public Library.

Oct. 16 Harvest Feast at Kinmount at Kinmount Community Centre, 4:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. Hosted by Kinmount United Church Women.

Oct. 20 Big Buck Bid Euchre 11:00 a.m. at Kinmount Legion. Cost \$10 includes lunch.

Oct. 23 Children's Community Halloween Party, 6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. at Kinmount Community Centre.

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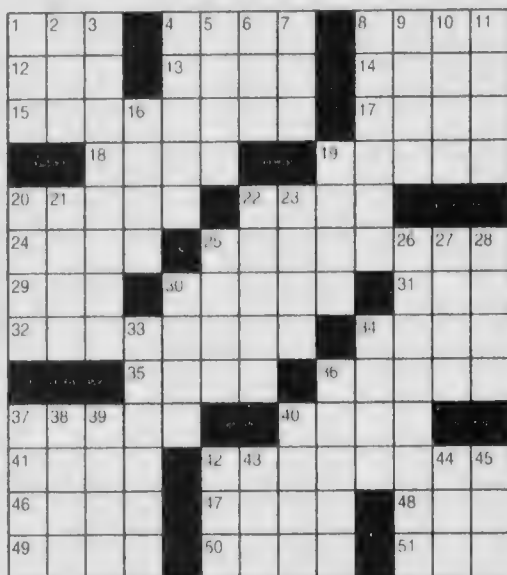


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- 8 Wild party
- 12 Plaything
- 13 Green land
- 14 Curved molding
- 15 "Wow!"
- 17 Traditional tales
- 18 Versifier
- 19 Constitutional
- 20 Orated
- 22 Overcast
- 24 Ponder
- 25 "Wow!"
- 29 Swiss canton
- 30 Huffs and puffs
- 31 Born
- 32 "Wow!"
- 34 Unescorted
- 35 Unpaid bill
- 36 Illinois city
- 37 Bake eggs
- 40 Perry Mason
- 41 Mexican portrayer
- 42 "Wow!"
- 46 Detail
- 47 Squirrels' hangouts
- 48 "That's funny!" to a texter
- 49 Cincinnati team
- 50 Genealogy

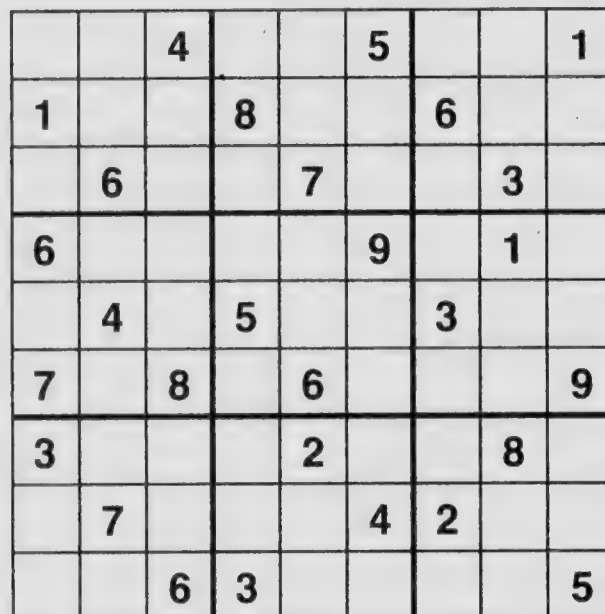


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|-------------------------------|--------------------|------------------------|
| chart | enthusiastic | 33 File holders |
| 51 Sweet potato | 10 Antitoxins | 34 Ganges wrap |
| | 11 Command to Fido | 36 Talk a blue streak? |
| DOWN | 16 Oxen's binder | 37 Use a tea spoon |
| 1 Judge Lance | 19 Young blokes | 38 Loathe |
| 2 Homer's interjection | 20 Too confident | 39 On the rocks |
| 3 Formal discussions | 21 Engine noise | 40 Prepare a casserole |
| 4 Small flycatcher | 22 Leave | 42 Braille component |
| 5 Laugh-a-minute | 23 Tiers | 43 Anvil's site |
| 6 Bobby of hockey | 25 Amorphous mass | 44 Extinct ewealer |
| 7 Become one | 26 In toto | 45 Shade provider |
| 8 Anne who married Henry VIII | 27 Burn somewhat | |
| 9 More than support | 28 Lily variety | |
| | 30 Coffin | |

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Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle



Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ★ ★ ★

★ Moderate ★ ★ Challenging
★ ★ ★ HOO BOY!

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Puzzles4Kids

by Helehe Hovanec

WORD FUN

Study the two words on each line to find the ONE letter in the left column that is NOT in the word in the right column. Write the extra letter on the blank space. Then read DOWN to answer this riddle:

WHAT KIND OF MARKET SHOULD A DOG AVOID?

- | | | | | | |
|--------|-----|-------|--------|-----|-------|
| RETAIL | ___ | LITER | SIMMER | ___ | MISER |
| FENCES | ___ | SCENE | LARIAT | ___ | TRAIL |
| GRILLS | ___ | GIRLS | NOSIER | ___ | NOISE |
| STREAK | ___ | STARK | BASKET | ___ | BEATS |
| CANALS | ___ | CLANS | AGREED | ___ | GRADE |
| | | | PERMIT | ___ | PRIME |

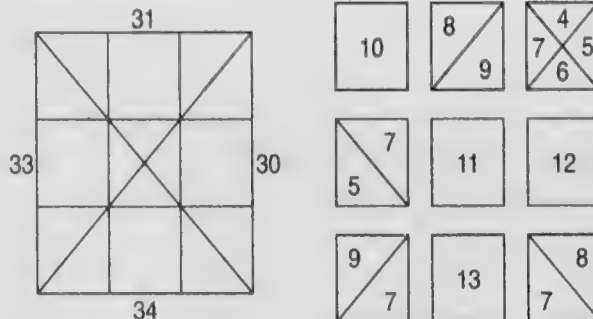
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Try Squares

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Without rotating the small squares on the right, try to arrange them into the pattern shown in the diagram at the left so that the number next to each large triangle equals the sum of the four numbers in that triangle.



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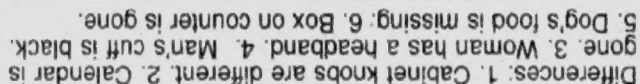
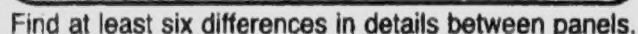
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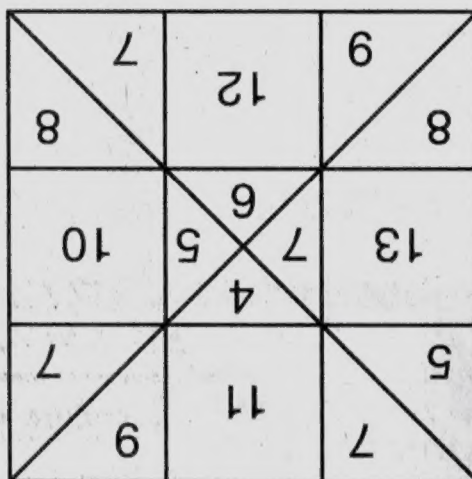
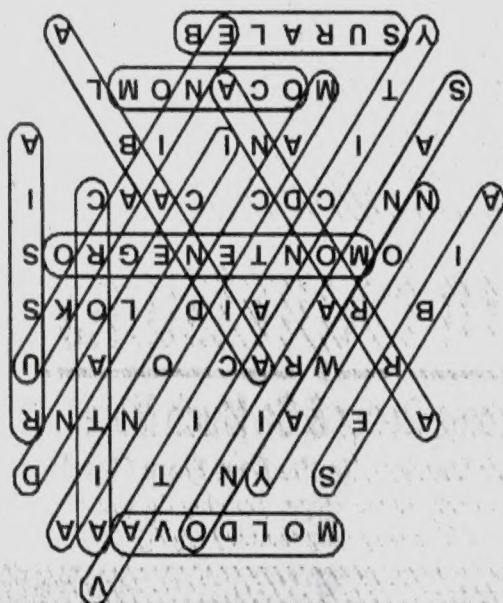
It was Polish-born British novelist Joseph Conrad who made the following sage observation: "Being a woman is a terribly difficult task since it consists principally in dealing with men."

Contrary to popular belief, seagulls don't really explode if they eat Alka-Seltzer.

Pizza is one of the most popular foods around the world, but in other countries it doesn't always look the way it does when you order out here in the United States. For instance, in India you're likely to find toppings like pickled ginger, minced mutton and a kind of cottage cheese. Brazilians like green peas on their pizzas, Costa Ricans like coconut and Pakistanis favor curry. A popular pizza in Japan has potato, bacon and mayonnaise, while eel and squid also are common toppings.

If you're in the mood to indulge yourself -- and have the means to do it -- you can vacation in the penthouse suite at Hotel Martinez in Cannes, France. At a rate of more than \$35,000 per night, it's one of the world's most expensive hotel rooms.

An electronics shop in Seattle once advertised that it was selling stereos for "299 bananas." As it turns out, 30-some odd customers showed up to take advantage of the special -- in a literal fashion. They each brought -- you guessed it -- 299 actual bananas. The local zoo ended up being the beneficiary of all the extra produce.



answer

Try Squares

The first state in the Union to declare Christmas an official legal holiday was Alabama, and it happened in 1836.

Thought for the Day: "Travel is fatal to prejudice, bigotry and narrow-mindedness, and many of our people need it sorely on these accounts. Broad, wholesome, charitable views of men and things cannot be acquired by vegetating in one little corner of the earth all one's lifetime." -- Mark Twain

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Puzzles 4 Kids Answer

PRIME	T	PERMIT
GRADE	E	AGREED
BEATS	K	BASKET
NOISE	R	NOSIER
TRAIL	A	LARIAT
MISER	M	SIMMER
CLANS	A	CANALS
STARK	E	STREAK
GIRLS	L	GRILLS
SCENE	F	FENCES
LITER	A	RETAIL

4	2	6	3	8	7	1	9	5
8	7	1	9	5	4	2	6	3
3	9	5	1	2	6	4	8	7
7	1	8	2	6	3	5	4	9
2	4	9	5	1	8	3	7	6
6	5	3	7	4	9	8	1	2
5	6	2	4	7	1	9	3	8
1	3	7	8	9	2	6	5	4
9	8	4	6	3	5	7	2	1

Answer

Weekly SUDOKU

R	E	D	S	T	R	E	E	Y	A	M
I	T	E	M	O	A	K	S	L	O	L
T	A	C	O	D	E	A	R	I	E	M
S	H	I	R	R	B	U	R	R		
D	E	B	T	C	A	I	R	O		
G	R	A	C	I	O	U	S	S	T	A
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M	U	S	E	G	O	O	D	N	E	S
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P	O	E	T	L	E	G	A	L		
O	H	M	Y	W	O	R	D	L	O	R
T	O	Y	E	I	R	E	O	G	E	E
I	D	S	P	R	O	W	B	A	S	H

Solution time: 27 mins.

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Kennisis Lk West Exposure - \$689,000



Wow factor!! Opportunities like this are hard to find. Cottage well cared for/upgrades incl windows. 177 ft fr. Big open view, Sunsets, morning sun on back deck, Priv, Granite shore, rock shelves. Boat house & ramp, Double garage, 3 bdms+den & playroom. Hardwood/carpet/vinyl flrs, pine ceilings, skylights open bright concept with amazing view of the lake. Boat house exc cond., 2 car garage.

Kennisis Lake - \$489,500



Fully furnished, 4 season cottage, 3 bdms, 2 baths, fireplace, pine interior, open concept, many recent upgrades shows pride of ownership. Level lot, protected waterfront. Lge deck and docks.

Kennisis Lake West Shore - \$599,000



West Shore-335 ft of frontage, 3.5 acres on Beautiful Kennis Lake. Variety of shoreline. Lots of space to have walking trails. Nice trees. Great privacy. You have a head start on this property. Driveway already in, some clearing done and foundation dug.

Grass Lake - \$239,900



Level lot, winding stream, bridges over the stream. Sand beach. Good view of this 3 chain lake. Drilled well, overflow into the creek. Paved drive. Easy access off Hwy 35. 2 bdrm, bath, laundry, open concept Kit/DR/LR with pine cathedral ceiling. New windows, wood stove. Single car garage and storage shed.

Kennisis Lake Lot - \$299,000



Answer to your dreams ! Kennis Lake building lot with small cabin. 100 ft lot, gentle slope easy access, well treed with mature pine and maple. Good privacy from the neighbors. Great spot to build your dream cottage with highly desired south exp & sand beach.

Redstone - \$469,000 - \$139,000



Private in a Dramatic River & Forest Setting. Approx 800 ft of Fr. & over 2 ac. Yr RND cottage 3 bdms, 2 baths. Guest 1/2's with additional 1/2 bath. Walking trails. 5 mins to Redstone boat launch. Building lot on Redstone to park your boat avail. Lot \$139,000

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Kennisis Lake - \$489,000



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Paddy's Bay Kennis - \$524,900



895 ft fr, 12 acres, 2400 sq ft Viceroy - 10 yrs old, open concept, hardwood flrs, 3 Bdrms 2 ensuites, 1-2pc. 3 decks, W,E,N exp. Explore, nature walks, privacy & point lot Adjacent 5.3 ac 700 ft fr \$274,900 or both for deal.

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